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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Frantz F. Jules
JAN H. ZICHA)	
	:	Art Unit: 3617
Application No.: 10/050,937)	
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Filing Date: January 22, 2002)	
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For: INTERNALLY RESILIENT TIE)	December 28, 2004
FOR RAILWAY TRACK	:	

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT A

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 3, 2004, please amend the above application as follows:

Title: Change to - Tie Block Retainer and Tie Block Sleeve for Railway Ties with
Inserted Blocks

Specification and Claims:

The Specification and Claims have been re-written to comply with the Office Action. The changes are shown on the enclosed Marked Copy of Specifications. Also, a clean new copy of the amended specification and claims is included. The amended Specification and Claims do not include any new matter.

Drawings:

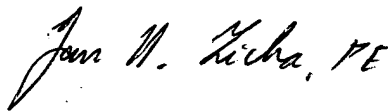
The drawings have been modified to reflect the title change. Replacement sheets of Figures 1 through 5 are enclosed. The Figure 6 is cancelled. The Drawings do not include any new matter.

The proposed changes are indicated in red on the photocopies of Figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Acceptance of the amended application is respectfully requested.

The applicant may be reached at (301) 322 5233 or (240) 383 0579. All Correspondence should be directed to the applicant's below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jan H. Zicha, PE". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Jan H. Zicha, PE

Applicant

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